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FOLLOWING SENT ACTION SECSTATE, INFO MEXICO, APRIL 17, FROM
MOSCOW REPEATED TO YOU:

QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L MOSCOW 4209

1. AT DIPLOMATIC RECEPTION FOR PRESIDENT AND MRS. ECHEVERRIA
ON APRIL 16, INDONESIAN AMBASSADOR DARUSMAN GAVE ME A FILL- IN
ON BRIEF PRIVATE CONVERSATION HE HAD HAD WITH THE PRESIDENT AT
THIS GATHERING.
2. DARUSMAN, WHO WAS FORMERLY ACCREDITED TO MEXICO CITY AND
A COLLEAGUE OF MINE FROM BELGRADE DAYS, SAID THAT THE PRESIDENT
WAS PLEASED WITH SOVIET RESPONSE TO THE PROPOSAL FOR A CHARTER
OF ECONOMIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF STATES.
3. PRESIDENT SAID THAT IN INITIAL TALKS SOVIETS WELCOMED HIS
VISIT SINCE THEY WERE AWARE THAT MEXICO FELT ITSELF TOO DEPENDENT
UPON US AND THAT MEXICO WISHED TO BRING BETTER BALANCE INTO
ITS RELATIONS WITH LARGE OUTSIDE POWERS.
4. INTERESTINGLY, PRESIDENT TOLD DARUSMAN THAT HE WAS STRUCK
BY IDEOLOGICAL CONTENT OF SOME PRESENTATIONS MADE BY SOVIET
SIDE. ACCORDING TO DARUSMAN, ECHEVERRIA EMPHASIZED WITH FIRM
GESTURES THAT MEXICO HAS ITS BELIEFS, SYSTEM AND WAY OF LIFE
WHILE SOVIETS HAVE THEIRS, IMPLYING THAT SOVIET SYSTEM HAS NO
ATTRACTION FOR MEXICAN ADMINISTRATION UNDER HIS LEADERSHIP.

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5. ALTHOUGH I DID NOT SPEAK TO PRESIDENT PRIVATELY, HE GREETED
ME VERY WARMLY WHEN I PASSED THROUGH RECEIVING LINE. DUBS
UNQUOTE. ROGERS

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